



What's New in District 22

Anaheim

By Marlys Haraden

Greeting members and patrons! We have great events coming up, among them the San Diego Nationals. This is very exciting to me, since I resided in San Diego for 35 years. San Diego is a lovely city, and the tournament location is near many great local restaurants, plus the Gaslamp Quarter ... and the list goes on and on. Those of you attending will have the opportunity to experience many good times, in addition to this most exciting bridge event.

A bridge tip: when on opening lead, try to remember the contract long enough to make that lead without having to write it down first.

Anaheim and Santa Ana will have a combined Christmas party this year December 13, which is between the San Diego Nationals and Palm Springs Regional. We will do a combined drive and fund raising to buy the needy children toys and school supplies. I hope one and all will support this event, so *please* mark your calendar.

Thanks to all who attended our unit Swiss Teams game; the attendance is growing. Results: 1st Phil Hiestand - Wei Pei, Phil Clayton - Brian Gilbert; 2nd Charlotte and Stephen Sturm, Alan Bell - Lulu Minter; 3rd Brian and Linda Trent, Jeff Strutzel - Subba Ravipudi; 4th Michael Ventri - Bill Skupen, - Bruce Horiguchi - Eric Tan.

Thanks to Subba for helping me get out the meal, which vanished. I hope no one went home hungry!

Our web site is: www.youhold.org - sorry about the missing Swiss Teams results: somehow I didn't get them online this time, and I promise I won't let that happen again.

Look out for more parties in Anaheim, and please call me for partners ... or for teams on the second Sunday of every month.

Bakersfield

By Mimi Stull

There were fewer tables at the Harvest Sectional, but everyone still enjoyed - if not the bridge, certainly the *food!* The top ten masterpoint winners were Wafik Abdou, Sandy Denison, Jerry Schmitt, Bruce Maclin, Teri Atkinson, Marj Robertson, Richard and Carol Kemmerer, Shirley Eide and Dale Hankins. Top local winners in Compact KOs were (2) Fred and Ed Curtis and Nancy Frisbee - Carolyn Colleto. Top local winners in Swiss Teams were: A/2 Bruce Maclin - Wafik Abdou and Jim George - Kamel Haddad; AX/1 Bess Taffera - Marj Robertson and Frank and Lois Short; B/C/D/1 Rene DeBarros - Danielle Teissire and Norman Maxwell - Janis Schaeffer.

Congratulations to all!

Sectional round-up: Sylvia Feiman, Lancaster, recovered from her fall and continues to heal; Dan Stowell (of Dan and Don Doolittle) brought beautiful gift baskets of his delicious homemade cookies for door prizes and extra trays of cookies for everyone to enjoy; nice to see Mickey Beautick-Warren - now of Portland, Ore. - again.

Also, David Priest is on hiatus in Maine and plans to return in March.

Winners of the September unit game include: 1/A Maynard and Sandy Denison; Wafik Abdou - Kamel Haddad; Dene Ferris - Deana Gratke; 1/B Carol and Richard Kemmerer; GeorgeAnn Kerley - Bess Taffera; Bob King - Evelyn Pelmeur.

Congrats to Gert Prejean, who was high point MP winner for September!

Welcome to new members Rene DeBarros and Danielle Teisseire. Those moving up in rank are Junior Masters Charles Kenyon and Dorothy Kenyon of Tehachapi, and Sectional Master Julie Cesare.

Condolences to the family of Toni Poe, who died recently from liver cancer. Toni was born in London, England. She and Alan married while he was stationed there in the Army. They moved to Bakersfield in 1965. Toni she worked as an office manager for Kern Gastroenterology Medical Group, and also served on our unit board as vice-president. She also enjoyed painting, jewelry making and baking. Toni played her last bridge game at the club with her brother, Dan Stevens, who was visiting from Scotland. They came in 5/A and 1/B & C. Toni, 68, kept a positive attitude and never complained. With her English accent, she called everyone "luv" and cautioned us not to be so "bloody cheeky!"

Club championship week is Sunday, Nov. 8 to Thursday, Nov. 12. Plan to attend the unit game on Saturday, Nov. 21. The Unit Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 12. Paid reservations of \$10.00, for bridge and lunch, may be made with Shirley Eide. And don't forget the NABC Tournament which will be held in San Diego from November 26 - December 6.

A health tip from a Tai-Chi master to help prevent osteoporosis: simply stand on each leg for 1 minute three times a day. It's okay to hold on to something for balance ... and can be done while waiting to start the next bridge round.

Have a very happy and delicious Thanksgiving Holiday.

Balboa

By Phil Pearl

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News Flash! The annual Balboa Holiday Party-Unit Game will be Sunday, Dec. 6, at 10:30 a.m., at the Costa Mesa Golf course, 1701 Golf Course Drive, Costa Mesa. Cost: Unit members \$25, non members \$35. Coffee & pastries, followed by bridge and lunch. Tickets: Ruth Ann Alpert 714 962-3251 or Lynda Crawford 714 968-5870.

The September unit game introduced a 0-500 section playing concurrently with the Open section. Event leaders in the 0-500 section: 1. Dorie Wheatcroft - Layne Onufer. 2. Joan Kaminskas - Eileen Schennum. 3. Lynda Crawford - Sue Foigelman.

In the open section, Strat A: 1. Michael Galante - Phil Hiestand. 2. Marilyn Goldberg - Renee Alpert. 3. Jackie Cover - Ruth Ableman. 4. Chris Larsen - Norman Woo. 5. Philip and Ruth Richter. 6. Philip Pearl - Mary Lou Kiley. Strat B: 1. Goldberg - Alpert. 2. Cover - Ableman. 3. Richter - Richter. 4. Mahmoud Elguindy - Vicki Erickson. Strat C: 1. Richter - Richter. 2. Maryanne Roode - Sofija Korff. 3. Cathy Bauer - Lucille Hovland.

The Balboa Unit has partnership chairpersons available for most of the club games and the unit game. For the Monday, Thursday, and Friday games, it is Lynda Crawford. For the unit game, it is Susana Hegstrom, and Lynda for the 0-500 section. They request that you give them a minimum of 24 hours notice when looking for a partner. And please be courteous, they are volunteers, and they do try hard.

For the Tuesday and Wednesday games, call Jeanie and Judy direct. For more information, go to the Balboa Unit web site, then "games and results."

Lowell Andrews returned from the Phoenix Regional and reported his results: 4th overall in a 2-session Swiss Teams, 1st overall in a Bracket 1 KO, 1st overall in A/X Swiss - total 63 masterpoints.

That is a good week's work, Lowell.

Additional winners in Washington were Eileen Small and Sydney Stephan.

Jodi Pedri and Hans Giroux did a marvelous job managing the just-concluded OC Regional. The tournament was a huge success and the table count was 1700, which was up 170 over last year. Jodi reports that the opening night I/N lesson and party was followed by a 29 table I/N game. Jodi also said that her chairpersons did a great job. They were: Carrie MacMillin, I/N; Audrey Wicks, partnerships; Ann Cressman, hospitality; Michael and Laura Brooks, photos.

Also from the OC Regional: Congratulations to Nadine Nakai, who made LM with a 1st in KO 5. She played with CeCe McCourt, Kathie Barnes, and Janice Pierce.

Then there is the saga of Bob Hinrichs and his team. Bob signed up for Flight B (or so he thought) of the Sunday Swiss. The director asked for the number of masterpoints for highest ranked team member, which Bob said was 1300. Little did they realize that the director transposed this to 13,000, and for two matches they played the cream of the crop in Flight A! Bob said they lost by about eight IMPs in one, and about 12 in the other match. The directors then discovered the mistake and moved them to Flight B along with their 13 or 14 victory points.

They proceeded to win the final six matches and finished 9th overall in Flight B. Teammates were Maryanne Roode, Sofija Korff and Lynda Crawford.

Jim Elbogen reports that playing with Jerry Schreider in a KO 1 match, they arrived at 6NT through a series of misunderstood bids and failures to alert. It seems that 6♥ was the textbook contract (with a nice 6-3 fit), especially for IMPs. Jerry played this one well and evidently one of his opponents was squeezed to death. Making 6NT! At the other table, the superior 6♥ went down with a defensive ruff. 14 IMPs to team Elbogen, which helped them win the match.

Welcome to Beverly Bain and Mark Finkelstein who transferred into our unit from Saddleback.

And finally, congratulations to the following players who have advanced in rank: New Junior Masters: Andrew Gurwell, Ruth Roe, and Cynthia Smith.

New Club Masters: Sue Blom and Jane Larkin. New Sectional Masters: John Kiang and Joan Zehring. New Regional Master: Mikhail Khoudiakov.

New NABC Master: Kathryn Luft.

Bishop

By Lilla

Hello again. The leaves on the trees at the higher elevations are beginning to change color and it's looking as though Fall is here. All in the Bishop area are closing down the coolers, turning on the heaters, and getting ready to spend more time at the bridge tables. Twice in this past month we had to cancel the game! But now all the late vacation players are returning home. It looks encouraging.

This month's winners were the following: on the second winners were 1st, Reeder and Mizrahi; 2nd Abbott and Farmer; and 3rd the Habers; on the 7th, the Bournes 1st, Reeder and Mizrahi 2nd, Taylor and Hadelar 3rd, Sparks and Gilbert 4th; the 9th winners were Greer and Gilbert, Busby and

Unit 534's 33rd Annual

Sun City Sectional

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Nov. 20-22, 2009

Webb Hall - 26850 Sun City Blvd.

Sun City, CA

Friday & Saturday Single Sessions:

10:00 AM & 2:30 PM

(A:2000+, B:750-2000, C:0-750)

(299ers: 200-300, 100-200, 0-100)

Free Coffee, Tea, Cookies, Snacks

Sunday Swiss: 11:00 AM

(A:3000+, AX:0-3000, B:1250-2000, C:500-1250, D: 0-500)

Play thru-lunch provided

Sanction # S0911030

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